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Seisaku Iwasa et al.

Serial No.: 09/911,621

Filed: July 25, 2001

For: A VERTICAL BAG FORM-FILL-SEAL  
PACKAGING MACHINE

Patent Art Unit: 3728

Examiner: Anthony D. Stashick

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the August 12, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-32 are pending, with claims 1, 20 and 31-32 being the only independent claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page nine (9) of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application:

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